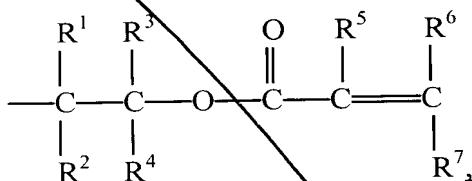


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polyamide, polyesteramide, polyetherether, polyurethane, polyurethane-urea, a linear polyether derived from diol, or branched polyether comprising at least one trifunctional alcohol unit,

Y = hydrogen, an alkyl group having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms or



R¹, R², R³, R⁴ are, identical or different, hydrogen or a linear, branched or cyclic (C₁-C₈) alkyl chain,

R⁵ = hydrogen, (C₁-C₅) alkyl, -CH₂OH or CH₂COOX,

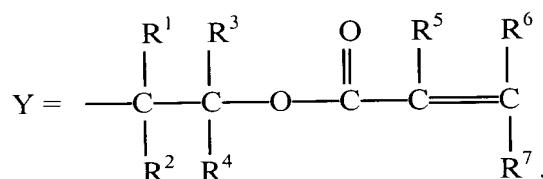
R⁶, R⁷ = hydrogen, (C₁-C₈) alkyl, (C₆-C₁₀) aryl or COOX,

X = hydrogen or (C₁-C₈) alkyl,

n = 1-1000 and

m = 1-4,

with the proviso that when n = 1,

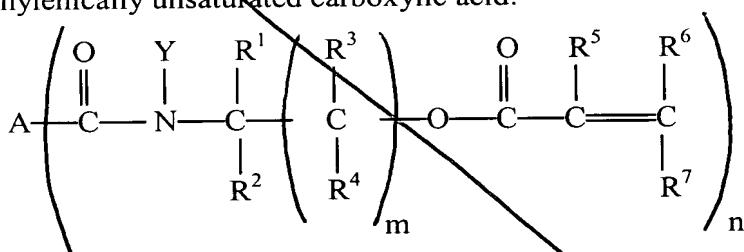


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27. (Three times Amended)

A radiation curable compound represented by

the following formula (I) and which is a mono or multi valent carboxylic acid ester of a β, γ, δ or ε-hydroxy-alkylamide group containing compound, wherein the ester is derived from an α, β-ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid:

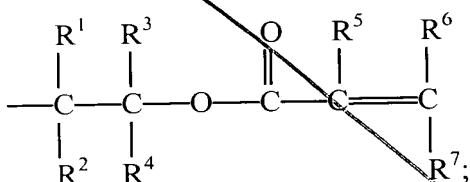


where:

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A = a condensation polymer P which is a polyester, polylactone, polyamide, polyesteramide, polyesterether, polyurethane, polyurethane-urea, a linear polyether derived from diol, or branched polyether comprising at least one trifunctional alcohol unit;

Y = hydrogen, an alkyl group having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms or



R¹, R², R³, R⁴ are, identical or different, hydrogen or a linear, branched or cyclic (C₁-C₈) alkyl chain;

R⁵ = hydrogen, (C₁-C₅) alkyl, -CH₂OH or CH₂COOX;

R⁶, R⁷ = hydrogen, (C₁-C₈) alkyl, (C₆-C₁₀) aryl or COOX;

X = hydrogen or (C₁-C₈) alkyl;

n = 1-1000 and

m = 1-4.

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Please cancel claims 24, 25 and 26, in their entireties, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following claims:

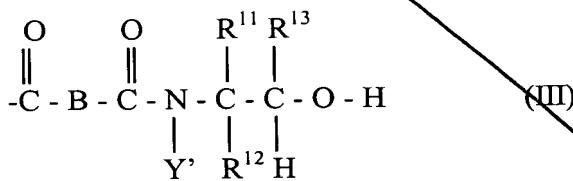
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28. (New) The radiation curable compound according to claim 27, wherein said condensation polymer P is a hyperbranched polymer.

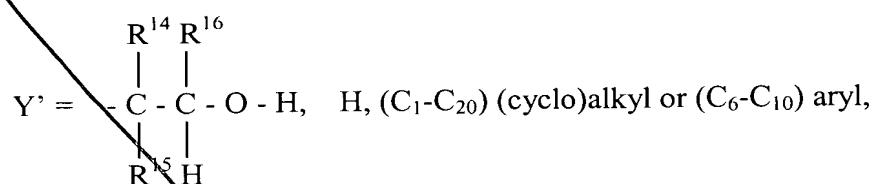
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29. (New) The radiation curable compound according to claim 28, wherein said condensation polymer P is a hyperbranched polymer containing β-hydroxyalkylamide groups and having a weight average molecular mass of at least 800 g/mol.

30. (New) The radiation curable compound according to claim 28, wherein said condensation polymer P is a hyperbranched polymer comprising at least two groups according to formula (III):



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in which



B = (C_2-C_{20}), optionally substituted, aryl or (cyclo)alkyl aliphatic diradical, and

*R¹¹, R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, which may be the same or different, represent, H, (C₆-C₁₀) aryl
or (C₁-C₈) (cyclo) alkyl radical.*

31. (New)

*Composition comprising a radiation curable compound
according to claim 27, further comprising a polymer having an amount of polymerizable
unsaturation ranging from 145 to 3000 grams of polymer per mole of unsaturated group
(WPU).*

32. (New)

*Composition comprising a radiation curable compound
according to claim 27, further comprising a crosslinker for the radiation curable compound.*